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Mr. James W. van Loben Sels, Director  
CALTRANS, 1120 N Street  
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Attention: Federal Resources Branch, Room 3500  
for Garland Hagen

Dear Mr. van Loben Sels:

SUBJECT: MTC 1996/1997 FTIP AMENDMENTS NO. 3, 4, 5, 6, & 7

We have completed our review of the Metropolitan Transportation Commission's (MTC) Amendments No. 3, 4, 5, 6, & 7 to its 1996/97 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) submitted with your letter dated March 19, 1997. We accept these amendments in accordance with 23 CFR 450 as revised by the Metropolitan Planning Rule issued October 28, 1993, and effective November 29, 1993.

We find that these MTC TIP amendments were developed based on a continuing, cooperative, and comprehensive transportation planning process in accordance with 23 USC 134 and section 49 USC 5303 of the Federal Transit Act.

This finding has been coordinated with the Regional offices of the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), Federal Transit Administration (FTA), and the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). The actions documented in this amendment do not affect the conformity determination for the 1996/97 FTIP. Therefore, we find this FTIP to be in conformity with the State Implementation Plan (SIP).

This letter also constitutes approval, and inclusion of MTC's TIP Amendments No. 3, 4, 5, 6, & 7 into California's 1996-97 Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (FSTIP). Furthermore, this approval is made with the understanding that FTA funding approval on individual projects contained in the STIP are subject to the grantees meeting all necessary FTA administrative requirements.

Sincerely,

Leslie T. Rogers  
Regional Administrator  
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Division Administrator  
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